

March 24, 2005

**S 932. PROTECT CONFIDENTIAL INFO OF PUBLIC AGENCIES. TO PROTECT**

*CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION OF PUBLIC AGENCIES AND SUBDIVISIONS.* Enacts new GS 132-1(c) to provide that documents of all types (paper, electronic, photographic, and so forth) are not public records when they are in draft form, retained solely by the author, and not distributed beyond the author's clerical support staff. Rewrites GS 132-1.1(a) to provide that attorney-client privilege applies to state agencies and subdivisions to same extent as it applies to private parties, and communications subject to the privilege are not public records. Amends GS 132-1.2 to add to list of material that does not have to be disclosed the following: information that reveals the identity, social security number, address, phone number, or bank account of a donor; information that reveals the identity of a juvenile enrolled in a recreational program; or information about the home or cell phone number of a governmental employee. Adds new GS 132-1.8 to exclude from definition of public record most records about volunteers, subject to exceptions for review by the volunteer, a supervisor, or a litigant with a court order, or if ordered released by the agency head to preserve public confidence in the agency. Amends GS 132-6.2 to specify that public agency need not provide a list of e-mail addresses if the addresses are available in a publicly accessible directory. Adds new Article 33 to GS Chapter 116 making materials created in research efforts of UNC constituent institutions confidential until a reasonable opportunity is provided to secure publication and intellectual property protection. Amends GS 143-318.11(a)(5) to include among the things that can be discussed by governmental bodies in closed session, locations of property to be acquired, identities of owners of the property, and intended uses of the property.

**Intro. by Clodfelter.**

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May 31, 2005

**S 932. PUBLIC RECORDS ACT AMENDMENTS (NEW).** Intro. 3/24/05. Senate committee substitute makes the following changes to 1st edition. Deletes all but two provisions of original bill. Retains amendment to GS 132-1.2 that adds to the list of materials that do not have to be disclosed by a public agency but limits the new materials to information that (1) reveals the social security number or bank account number of a donor of a gift or contribution to a public agency, unless the donor gives permission for disclosure, or (2) reveals the home or private cellular telephone number of any employee of a public agency without the consent of the employee, unless the number was furnished or paid for by the public agency. Also retains provisions amending GS 132-6.2 to specify that a public agency is not required to provide a list of email addresses as long as those addresses are available in a publicly accessible directory.